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COUNTRY Poland

SECURITY INFORMATION
REPORT NO.

TOPIC Military Information from Warszawa, Jablonna Legionowo, Lowicz, Waldenburg (Walbrzych) and Glatz (Kladsko)

EVALUATION see below

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. A letter from Rohmanen (R 54/A 04) of February 1953 indicated that, at that time, a German served with [redacted] 25X1B

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2. [redacted] source observed newly constructed military billets in Jablonna Legionowo (R 53/K 90), about 2 km northeast of the railroad station on the north-west side of the road to Serock (R 53/F 02). A newly constructed road, paved with cobble stones, branched directly ahead of a bridge over a river towards the installation, which included multi-story quartering buildings in a hilly area grown over with low Scotch firs. Source estimated that the installation, which also included some storage sheds still under construction, numbered about 20 buildings. Numerous soldiers, who wore yellow cap bands and fine uniforms and seemed to be especially selected men, were in the billeting area. Because of their appearance, source referred to these soldiers as officer candidates as they distinctly differed from the numerous other Polish soldiers observed in the Jablonna Legionowo area. 2

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3. [redacted] no activities and no vehicles were observed in the barracks installation in Lowicz (Q 53/P 27) west of the main railroad line to Poznan (P 53/X 26). 3

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[redacted] the former OMA china factory, directly north of the railroad station of Niedersalzbrunn (O 51/H 08) near Waldenburg (O 51/H 07), quartered a labor unit of the Polish Army, which numbered about 400 men wearing red service color. The soldiers worked in the Bahnschacht, Segen Gottes and Julius Schacht pits in the Waldenburg mining area. The men, who included numerous Germans from Upper Silesia, also received military training.

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5. [redacted] another Polish military labor unit of 200 to 300 men was in Neuhaus (O 51/H 07), southsouthwest of Waldenburg. The unit detailed soldiers for work at the Bahnschacht pit and in Hermsdorf. Source thought that the units in Niedersalzbrunn and Neuhaus had battalion size. No other labor troops of the Polish Army were known in the area of Waldenburg [redacted]

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25X1C 6. [] a unit of the Polish border guard forces, which numbered about 120 men, was stationed at the former old-people home on former Poltke Strasse in Waldenburg. Elements of this unit did border guard service on the Polish - Czech border. These elements and the troops in Waldenburg were constantly exchanged.

7. Prior to the spring of 1953, no Soviet troops and offices were in Waldenburg.

25X1C 8. [] source worked on the construction of a new fuel installation in the north sector of the city of Glatz (P 51/H 34), directly north of an electric power plant, which was out of operation, and between the railroad station and the east bank of the Neisse River off the fork formed by the railroad lines to Waldenburg and Breslau (P 52/C 41). A brick shed at this installation contained six tanks for technical oils. In March 1953, two other tanks, about 15 meters long and 2.50 meters in diameter were installed for gasoline and gas oil. The installation also included an unidentified number of underground tanks. The depot, which was scheduled to be completed by 1 April 1953, was served by a railroad spur track and was intended to make regular supplies to authorities, public plants and estates in the district of Glatz. Source heard that military units would also fuel at the installation. Source knew that the old Glatz post fortress was guarded by soldiers in the spring []

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25X1A 2. [] Comment. A previous report stated that this barracks installation quartered soldiers wearing yellow and red service color in September 1952. []

25X1A [] Previous reports indicated that the installation was occupied by elements of the 1st Div, whose members wear yellow service color. This division, which also bears the name of Kosciuszko, is the tradition unit for the Polish WW II contingents in the Soviet Army and includes specially selected soldiers. Previous reports contained only few indications of an officer candidate school.

25X1A 3. [] Comment. It is believed that the unit was at the summer camp.

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